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Wednesday, April 04, 2018

National Freedom of Information Center U.S. EPA, Records, FOIA and Privacy Branch 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW (2822T) Washington, DC 20460

Re: Request under the FOIA, in reply refer to Archive# 20180249EPA001

Dear Information Officer:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), I hereby request the following:

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If you regard any of these documents as potentially exempt from the FOIA's disclosure requirements, I request that you nonetheless exercise your discretion to disclose them. As the FOIA requires, please release all reasonably segregable non exempt portions of documents. To permit me to reach an intelligent and informed decision whether or not to file an administrative appeal of any denied material, please describe any withheld records (or portions thereof) and explain the basis for your exemption claims.

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To expedite the release of the requested documents, please disclose them on an interim basis as they become available to you, without waiting until all the documents have been processed. Please notify me before incurring any photocopying costs over \$100. If you have any questions regarding the identity of the records, their location, the scope of the request or any other matters, please call me at (202) 994-7000 or email me at foiamail@gwu.edu. I look forward to receiving your response within the twenty day statutory time period.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas Blanton Executive Director

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Dear Information Officer,

I am submitting the attached request on behalf of Thomas Blanton at the National Security Archive. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Emma Sarfity

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